

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** kidney disease affects an estimated 20 million Americans, including many children, adults, and elderly people in the Palmetto State; and

**WHEREAS,** nephrology nurses serve as educators, direct caregivers, and coordinators to help their patients manage their lives while effectively dealing with health issues; and

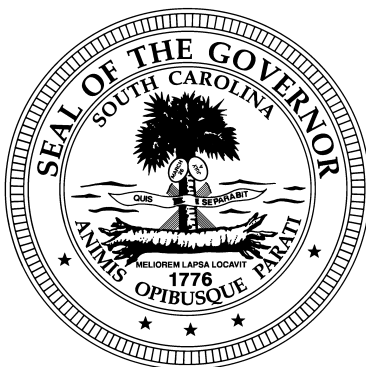
**WHEREAS,** across South Carolina, nephrology nurses perform lifesaving work each day, working closely with patients and their families with compassion and teamwork; and

**WHEREAS,** this year's theme, "Nephrology Nurses: Caring for a Lifetime," reminds us of their dedicated efforts to promote a high quality of life for the people and families affected by or at risk of developing kidney disease.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 11 – 17, 2005, as

### NEPHROLOGY NURSES WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize with appreciation the efforts of our nephrology nurses to advance patient care and reduce the incidence of kidney disease.



A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Mark Sanford".

**MARK SANFORD**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**